## NATURAL GAS.

A Deadly Explosion in an Allegheny Grocery Store.

Seven Persons Seriously Injured and One of Them May Die.

After a Fire in the Bullding the Firemen Were Sent Into the Cellar to Investigate-The Explosion Followed-The Damage to the Building Small.

PITTSBURGH, May 14.—Seven people were more or less seriously injured in an explosion of natural gas and kerosene in the cellar of the grocery store of Charles Flocker, at West End and Kirkpatrick avenues, Allegheny, Wednesday evening. The injured are: John Norton, fireman, badly burned about the face and hands and inhaled flames, may die; Robert H. McKain, fireman; Charles Herman, fireman; Wm. Richardson, policeman; Lee Ellsesoro, fireman; Joseph Gaber, foreman of Engine Co., and William Cahn-a boy-all burned about the face and hands. At 9 o'clock fire was discovered in the building and Engine No. 3 responded to the call. When the flames were extinguished, Chief Hunter, of the fire department, suggested that the firemen go into the cellar of the buildto see that there was more fire. Several of the firemen started to go down the stairway when a terrific explosion took place, hurling the men down. All of those who had descended into the cellar were completely enveloped in the flames and it was many minutes before they were rescued, Norton being the last one taken out. The damage to the building was small.

#### CONSUL WILLIAMS

Presents the Claims of Two of the Alleged Filibusters to the Spanish Au-

HAVANA, May 14.-Capt. Gen. Weyler has extended temporarily the operation of the last edict issued by him granting pardons to insurgents who shall surrender to the authorities within a specified time so that it now appears to the province of Havana and Mantazas as well as to the Pinar del Rio province.

United States Consul General Williams has presented to the authorities the claims of two of the prisoners alleged to have been members of the last filibustering expedition, and required that the men be given a civil trial on the ground that at the time of their capture they were not bearing arms. He has also made a similar request on behalf of the Frenchman who recently arrived here on an American ship.

TRIPLE MURDER.

Mrs. Henry Schwaatks, Little Daughter and a Chinese Servant the Victims. YRKKA, Cal., May 14.-Mrs. Henry Schwaatka, her little daughter and a Chinese servant were murdered at their home on the Prather ranch in Butte Creek valley Wednesday morning. Two tramps who discovered the crime are being held by the the authorities pending an investigation. It is supposed by many that the Chinaman first shot Mrs. Schwaatka and her daughter and then committed suicide, but this belief is not shared by the husband of the murdered woman. The husband is a brother of the late Lieut. Schwaatka, the well known Arctic explorer, and is one of the most prominent and highly

### THE TREATIES

respected men in the county.

Of 1795 and 1877 Will Probably Be De nounced by the Spaniards.

MADRID, May 14.—The suggestion re-

cently made by the Imparcial that the treaties between the Spanish and United States governments made in 1795 and 1877 be denounced, is much discussed in political and military circles. The suggestion meets with gen eral approval on the part of the Spanish press. The Spanish admiral in command in Cuba has sent the case of the filibustering schooner Competitor to the navy court here with a view of having the vessel declared a lawful Iowa Probibition Ticket.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 14.—The state ticket was nominated at the evening session as follows: Secretary of state Wm. G. Wright of Sotyr county; auditor of state, J. W. Wonders, of Webster county; treasurer of state, E. J. Bye, of Cedar county; supreme judge. Sam'l Holmes, of Fremont county; railroad commissioner, Wm. S. Piele, of

Lyon county. Tennessee Town Burned. NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 16.-Cottage Grove, a little town situated about eight miles northwest of Paris, was destroyed by fire Wednesday. Two to-bacco factories, one hotel and every store in the place except one were consumed. It is not known whether there was any insurance or how the fire originated. The loss is several thousand

The Withdrawal of Gold. WASHINGTON, May 14.- The withdrawals of gold from the treasury Wednesday were \$1,535,000, which reduces the treasury gold reserve to \$114,-456,381. Since February 1 last the treasury has lost \$49,000,000 in gold. The loss this month has been \$11,500,-600, and since the beginning of the fiscal year, July 1, 1895, \$140,000,000.

Famous Springs Hotel Burned. KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 14 - The famous Montvale Springs hotel, at Montvale Springs, Blount county, was burned Wednesday afternoon. The place was one of the most prominent resorts in the south. The property was owned

by Robert Bonner, of New York, and

other eastern capitalists, and was val-

ued at \$50,000; insurance \$15,000. German Sugar Bounty Bill. Behlin, May 14.—In the Reichstag Wednesday the bill relating to the sugar bounties passed its second read-ing. The measure will be brought up on the third reading on the 15th in-

#### THE METHODISTS.

Policy of Intervention in Armenian Mas-sacres-Time of Holding Next General Conference Changed.

odist conference was opened Wednesday with Bishop Vincent in the chair. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. R. E. Gillum, a colored minister from central Missouri.

The first resolution offered denounced in the strongest terms the Armenian outrages and massacres, and referred to the apathy of the Christian governments of Europe and America. It closed by calling on congress to pass a joint resolution authorizing the president to enter into negotiations with the European powers most directly interested, with the view of interfering and preventing further massacres. The resolution also provided that a copy of the resolutions be sent to both houses of congress. It was referred to the committee on state of the church with-

out discussion. The proposition to change the time of holding the general conference from May 1 to the first Wednesday in May aroused a discussion on the point of over a back porch at 614 O'Fallon street constitutionality of the action. Three- and killed. Wm. Cedarstrom, boatconstitutionality of the action. Threefourths of the annual conferences have keeper for the Scandinavian Yacht approved it, and it was approved by more than two-thirds of the general conference. Dr. Leonard led the opposition, but he was literally buried, as the vote stood 397 yeas and 19 nays. The next general conforence will therefore meet on the first Wednesday in May, 1900.

A proposition was presented by Rev. L. R. Fisk, of Detroit, to hold the general conference each six years. It was of the Anthony & Kuhn brewery. The referred to the committee on state of smokestack of the Liberty brewery referred to the committee on state of the church

#### WEDNESDAY'S GAMES.

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### MILWAUKEE STRIKE.

Samuel Compers, President of the American Federation of Labor, Summoned. MILWAUKEE, May 14.-President Mc-Mahon, of the Associated Railway Employes, who has been here since the inauguration of the strike, Wednesday night telegraphed to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, at Indianapolis, calling him to Milwaukee immediately. It is not known what the object of the move on the part of the strikers is.

All the electrical workers employed previous to the present strike in establishments competing with the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Co. returned to work Wednesday night, the sympathetic strike, so far as they are concerned, having been declared off.

This nction was decided upon Wednesday afternoon at a meeting of the executive board of the Brotherhood of Electrical workers. It is now the intention of the electrical workers to carry on the war against the street railway company by urging merchants to patronize some of its com-

### SCHOONER GLADIATOR,

With Arms and Ammunition for the Cuban Insurgents, Sails From Fort Myers,

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 14.—The schooner Gladiator left Fort Myers, Fla., Tuesday night with arms and ammunition for the Cuban insurgents. She also carried 40 men and will pick up more at Key Largo. Among the Americans on board were J. D. Rose, newspaper correspondent; W. R. Washburn, inventor of a rapid firing gun, and L. C. Stewart, a skilled engineer. A. H. Harris, an expert at gun powdermaking, was also on board. Alfonso Gonzales, a Cuban, commanded the expedition.

Mysterious Assassination of Dr. Williams. mysterious and sensational assassination of Dr. A. H. Williams, a prominent physician of Sumner county, who died on April 10, was partially solved Wednesday by the arrest of three men thought to have been implicated in the conspiracy, The men are Rufus Bell, William Butler and Tom Jones. They are now in jail at Gallatin. The crime created a great sensation and \$1,200 reward for the guilty party was offered. The officers feel confident they have the right men and more arrests will follow. A wellknown man of Nashville is now being searched for. He is said to be the man

who fired the fatal shot.

Will Go te Havana.
HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 14.—Fitz a threatened run. Hugh Lee, jr., who has been spending a year here, will sail Saturday for Havana, where he goes as private secretary to his father, ex-Gov. Fitz Hugh inches in the past twelve hours. There Lee, consul general.

Elected Vice-President. PRETORIA, May 14.—Gen. P. J. Joubert, commander-in-chief of the Transvaal forces and a member of the expresident of the Transvaal republic.

## AT ST. LOUIS.

CLEVELAND, O., May 14.—The Meth- A Severe Storm Suddenly Bursts Upon That City.

> Several Lives Lost and the Damage to Property Was Great

Steamboat Carpenter Blown Off a Barge and Drowned-Child Blown Over a Back Porch and Killed-Other Casuaities-Horses and Mules Killed.

St. Louis, May 14.-A severe storm, unannounced by the weather bureau or weather indications, fell upon the city Wednesday evening. From an almost clear sky at six o'clock rain fell in torrents and was carried in waves through the air by a 40-mile wind. Damage to life and property was very great. Frederick Vetz, a steamboat carpenter, was blown off a barge in the river and drowned. Agnes Belin, aged three, was blown club, who was on the river in a rowboat, was drowned by the swamping of his boat. Louis Traffinger, his wife and child were buried in the debris of their house and badly injured. The steeple of a church at Fifteenth and Walnut streets fell to the sidewalk but no one was injured. Three horses and two mules were killed by the falling of the smokestack fell but injured no one. Incalculable loss was done to shade trees, shrubbery and light structures.

At East St. Louis sixteen cars were blown from the track of the Chicago & Alton railroad and demolished. At Venice three houses were blown down and the sudden rush of water washed out three culverts. Dr. Hasting, of blown into the back water of the river. Wires are down and reports of the disaster come slowly.

#### GOOD SHOTS.

The Third Day of the Memphis Gun Club's Tournament. MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 14.—Faster targets, wind and rain, broke many straights in the third day's shooting of the Memphis Gun club's tournament. The last event was concluded in heavy rain. All events were well filled, the entries averaging 60. J. M. George, of San Antonio, was a top notcher, J. A. Elliott broke 78 out of his first 80; C.W. Budd, succeeded in making four straights of 20 each. R. O. Heikes, of Dayton, O., was one of the highest men, and F. N. Dyke, of Dayton, N. J., finished well after a day of consistent shooting. Neither Heikes nor Gilbert were in championship form. Eight events comprise the programme for Thursday.

Excessive Rains Follow a Tornado LINCOLN, Neb., May 14.-The fall of rain following Tuesday's tornado has been almost unprecedented, and floods in the low-lying districts of the city will follow unless there is an early cessation of the downpour. The record of precipitation for 24 hours ending at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon was 4.27 inches. The bottom lands in West Lincoln are already partly submerged. and occupants are preparing to move out on short notice. Salt creek, usually a sluggish miniature stream, has assumed the proportions of a lake. Some of the railroad tracks are under

Badly Damaged by a Cyclone.

OMAHA, Neb., May 14.-Additional reports from Tuesday evening's cyclone in Douglass county show that Panama, a village several miles northwest of this city, suffered the most, being nearly wiped off the earth. Not a store building remains. Livery barns, hardware, implement and general merchandise stores were smashed like egg shells, and hardly a vestige of them is to be seen. One man whose name can not be learned, was caught under the timbers of a falling building and was fatally injured.

Instructed for McKinley. St. Joseph, Mo., May 14.—The re-publicans of the Fourth congressional district met in convention here Wednesday and after a hot fight elected Maj. J. L. Bittinger, of St. Joseph, and John G. Grems, of Maryville, as dele-

gates to the national republican convention. R. O. Stauber, of St. Joseph. and H. E. Ralston, of Elmo, alternates. The delegates were instructed for Mc-The Complexion of Our Navy. WASHINGTON, May 14. - Admiral Ramsay, acting secretary of the navy, has informed the senate, in response to

it request, that of the 9,583 blue jackets in the United States naval service, 4,400 are foreign born and 831 of the 2,017 marines are natives of other countries than the United States. The per-NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 14.-The centage of Americans in the navy. however, is increasing. Will Contest Webbers's Will. LAPORTE, Ind., May 14.—Preliminary

steps have been taken to contest the will of the late Leroy D. Webber, of this city. The estate is valued at about \$200,000, and the contest is made in the interest of Miss Mabel Whitaker, a granddaughter of the deceased, who received a bequest of only \$100.

Oklahoma Bank Closes.

EL RENO, Ok., May 14.-The First national bank of this city was closed Wednesday. Liabilities and assets are supposed to be about equal and the officers say all depositors will be paid in full. The closing was done to forestall

Heavy Rainfall at St. Paul. St. Paul, Minn., May 14.-Rain has fallen here to the extent of over two was a washout on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

Eder Wins the Clark Stakes LOUISVILLE, May 14.—Ben Eder won the Clark stakes; Semper Ego second; Parson third Time, 1:56%. Ben Brush

#### CONDENSED NEWS

Sathered From All Parts of the Country by Telegraph. Pere Andermant has been elected

general of the order of Capucines. A test of armor under severe conditions made at the Indian Head proving grounds Wednesday, resulted specessfully for the manufacturers, the Bethlehem Steel Co., of Bethlehem, Pa.

The republicans of the Fifth North Carolina district have unanimously renominated Thomas Settle for congress. The republicans of the Third district declined to nominate the congressional candidate.

Every indication points to an absolute repudiation by the supreme council of the A. P. A., in session at Washington, of the action taken by the exseutive committee of the advisory board against McKinley's candidacy.

Announcement was made on the floor of the Philadelphia stock exchange Wednesday morning of the death of Thomas C. Knight, chairman of the exchange. Mr. Knight had been connected with the exchange for a number of years.

Frank Harding, a well-known cigar maker of Quincy, Ill., 27 years of age, Wednesday evening fatally shot his mother, aged 65, then tried to kill himself. Harding, who is now in jail, has a brother in the insane asylum. He is believed to be similarly afflicted.

Wednesday Miss Ida M. Steers was shot and fatally wounded on the farm of John Masterson, seven miles northwest of Cropsey, Ill., by Chas. Burrell. Burrell then put a bullet through his own head and died instantly. Miss Steers had refused to marry Burrell. Roger Connor is now manager of the

St. Louis Browns. Mr. Von Der Ahe turned his troubles over to the players Wednesday and they unanimously chose Roger as manager. The first baseman will also captain the club. This decision gives satisfaction to the public.

Commissioner General Stump has received unofficial information that Ital-Venice, with his horse and buggy, was ian immigration to the United States is on the decline. Several vessels chartered to bring immigrants to this country have abandoned the intention as they were unable to procure a ship

From the committee on agriculture Senator Proctor Wednesday reported a bill to provide for a director-in-chief of the scientific bureaus and investigations in the department of agriculture. This official is to be appointed by the president and confirmed by the senate at a salary of \$5,000 a year.

The house military committee has reported favorably a bill introduced by Mr. Henry, of Indiana, placing Julius R. Frederick, of the Greeley expedition, on the retired list of the army while in the Arctic regions.

French Physician and Writer Dead. PARIS, May 14.-German See, the eminent French physician and medical writer, died in this city aged 78 years. Forecast for Thursday.

WASHINGTON, May 14 -For Ohio-Partly cloudy weather, with conditions favorable for thunder storms; brisk southeasterly winds. For Kentucky-Local thunder storms, part-ly cloudy weather; cooler in western portion. For Indiana-Local thunder storms; fresh and brisk southerly winds; cooler.

### THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATL May 13. FLOUR-Spring patent, \$2.6003.85; spring fancy, \$3.1502.30; spring family, \$2.0002.85; winter patent, \$2.602.390 fanoy, \$2.0002.45; family, \$2.702.300; extra, \$2.252.2.50; low grade, \$1.75@2.00: rye, northwestern, \$2.45@2.60; de

WHRAT-No. 2 red nominal at 6826840. CORN-Sales: No. 2 yellow, track, 22c; No. 2 mixed, track, 314c; No. 2 white, track, 314c. OATS-Sales: No. 2 mixed, track, 22c; No. 2 white, track, 24c. RYE—Sales: No. 2 track, 40%c.

Hogs—Select butchers, \$3.20@3.25; fair to good packers, \$3.16@3.25; fair to good light, \$3.25@3.45; common and roughs, \$3.00@3.15 CATTLE—Fair to good shippers, \$3.40@4.10; CATTLE—Pair to good shippers, S. 2024.75; choice, \$4 1524.85; good to choice butchers; \$3.85@4.10; extra, \$4.1624.25; fair to medium butchers, \$3.25@3.75; common, \$2.65@3.25.
SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep—Extras, \$1.25@3.260 good to choice, \$3.00@3.25; common to fair, \$2.25@2.85. Lambs—Extras, \$4.25; good to choice, \$3.00.41.5; common to fair, \$2.25.25. choice, 83 90 - 4 15; common to fair, \$3 25@3 75;

apring lambs lower at \$3.50@5.00. VEAL CALVES--Fair to good light, \$4,00@4.75; extra, \$5.00: common and large, \$3,00@4.60. WOOL-The market is quiet and prices rule easy, although receipts are not liberal Eastern markets, exhibit quite a depressed appearance: Top qualities of unwashed 14@% woo. quotable at 12@13c per lb; burry and fleece-

grown, 5@6c less. NEW YORK, May 12 WHEAT—No. 2 red May, 694@7040; June, 694@700: July, 684@7040; August, 70c; Sep-tember, 69 15-16@7040; December, 714@720. Corn—No. 2, July, 2640; State, 264@2840;

TOLEDO, O., May 13 WHEAT—No. 2 red May, 60%c; July, 65%c; August, 65%c September, 66%c CORN—No. 2 mixed, July, 31c.

OATS-No. Emixed July. 21c. PITTABURGH, Pa. May 12 CATTLE-Prime, \$4.20@4.30; good, \$4.10@4.20; good butchers', \$3.80@4.10; veal calves, \$4.00@

Hogs-Prime medium and best Yorkers. \$3.60 @3 65: common to fair Yorkers, \$2.50@3.55; heavy bogs, \$1.45@3.50. SHEEP—Market steady: prime, \$3.65@3.75: good. \$3.60(53.65; fair. \$3.20 ± 3.40; common. \$2.75 @3.00; choice lambs, \$4.50@4.80; common to good lambs, \$1.50@4.25; spring lambs, \$5.00@

Calls on July wheat opened at 64%c, last price 63% 263. Puts opened at 63%c, last price 62%@30c. Calls on July corn opened at 29%@30c, last price 29%c. Puts opened at 29%%20%c, sold at 19%@29%c: last price 29%@29%c. BALTIMORE, May 12.

WHEAT—No. 2 red spot. 68%@70c; May, 69% @69%c; July and August, 68%@68%c; southern, 72@73c. CONN-Mixed spot and May, 344,@344c: June, 344,@35c: July, 354,@355c: steamer mixed, 334, @334c: southern white, 354,@35c: do yellow,

2514@3514c. OATS—No. 2 white wastern, 2514@25c: No. 2 mired do, 244@2446.

BUFFALO, May 13.

CATTLE—Light butchers' steers, \$3.85@4.00; stockers, \$3.50@3.70; veals steady, \$3.50@4.00; light, \$4.36@4.50.

4.00: light. \$4.36@4.50.

Hous—Yorkers, good weights, \$3.66@1.70:
light, \$3.70: light mediums, \$3.60@3.65: good
heavy, \$1.40@1.55: pigs. \$1.70@1.75: roughs, \$3.60
@3.15: stags. \$2.00@1.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep steady: prime to
good lambs. \$4.60@1.65: fair to good. \$8.46@1.75;
common. \$2.15@2.75: mixed sheep, good to
choice, \$3.50@3.75: heavy export lambs, \$4.60.2
4.70.

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INDIANAPOLIS. Ind., May 12.

CANTLE—Good to choice shipping, \$2.050

105: fair to medium, \$2.763.55.

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